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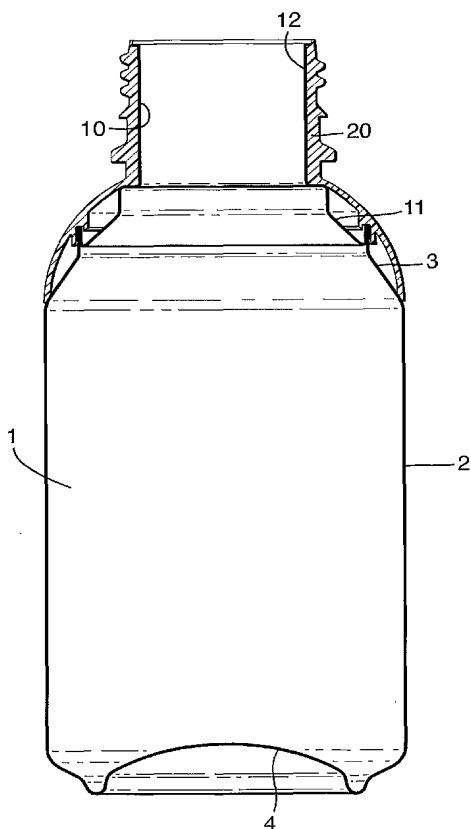
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(54) Title: RECLOSABLE METAL CONTAINER



(57) Abstract: A reclosable metal container in the style of a bottle-shaped can has a conventional can body (1) of steel or aluminium to which a metal neck component (10) is seamed. A sleeve (20) of plastics fits over the neck component and a detent (21) inside the sleeve clips it onto the seam. The upper edge of the sleeve is fixed in place by a curl (15) on the upper edge of the neck component. By using a separate neck component and hiding the seam under a sleeve, conventional sizes and material gauges can be used for the can body. Thicker material may be used for the neck component in order to withstand necking forces. Threads (25) for closing the container are provided on the sleeve.

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